

August 30, 2019

Mr. Mike Stoker  
Regional Administrator  
Region 9  
U.S. Environmental Protection Agency  
75 Hawthorne Street  
San Francisco, California 94105

Dear Mr. Stoker:

The California Air Resources Board (CARB) is hereby forwarding a letter of commitment to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) from the Ventura County Air Pollution Control District (District). This commitment is to adopt contingency measures for reasonable further progress and attainment of the 75 parts per billion 8-hour ozone standard.

With this submittal, the District is committing to adopt one or more of a specified list of rules that would include provisions to become effective in the event that U.S. EPA issues a final rulemaking necessitating implementation of a contingency measure. The District's commitment adheres to the latest U.S. EPA guidance based on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit opinion in *Bahr v. EPA*, 836 F.3d 1218 (9<sup>th</sup> Cir. 2016).

With this commitment, U.S. EPA could propose conditional approval of the District's 2016 Plan for the 2008 Ozone Standard (2016 Ozone Plan) contingent upon the submittal of adopted and/or revised rule(s) within one year of the effective date of the U.S. EPA final action. The District is also committing to transmit the rule(s) to CARB and CARB staff commits to submit the rule(s) to U.S. EPA within twelve months of the effective date of the final conditional approval of the 2016 Ozone Plan.

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If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Kurt Karperos, Deputy Executive Officer, at (916) 322-2793 or have your staff contact Dr. Michael Benjamin, Chief, Air Quality Planning and Science Division at (916) 201-8968.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'R.W. Corey', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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